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SUBJECT: TOKYO MEDIA REACTION - PAKISTAN

11. LEAD STORIES: Top stories on Thursday morning included the decision on Wednesday by the Tokyo Metropolitan Assembly's budget panel to inject an additional 40 billion yen into ShinGinko Tokyo, the indebted bank established at the initiative of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

12. "Political Situation in Pakistan Remains Bleak" The business-oriented Nikkei editorialized (3/27): "A new Pakistani prime minister took office on March 25 following the general elections in February and the launch of a new parliament earlier this month. We welcome this progress toward democracy in Pakistan, which was shaken by the declaration of a state of emergency and the assassination of former Prime Minister Bhutto. However, the nation is still far from stable. Pakistan is a nuclear weapons state, and it stands on the front line of the ongoing global war on terrorism. Political unrest in the country should not hamper international efforts to prevent nuclear proliferation and terrorism."

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